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REFS: (A) EC BRUSSELS 2048; (B) EC BRUSSELS 1863; (C) EC
BRUSSELS 2017; (D) EC BRUSSELS 1939; (E) EC BRUSSELS 2070

1. FOLLOWING IS THE EXPECTED AGENDA FOR THE MARCH 8 EC
FOREIGN MINISTERS COUNCIL:

(A) RELATIONS WITH PORTUGAL: THE MINISTERS ARE TO REVIEW
PRIME MINISTER SOARES' TOUR OF THE EC CAPITALS.

(B) RELATIONS WITH SPAIN: THE MINISTERS ARE TO CONTINUE
THEIR DISCUSSION OF ADAPTATION TO THE ENLARGED COMMUNITY
OF THE 1970 EC/SPANISH TRADE AGREEMENT.

(C) RELATIONS WITH YUGOSLAVIA: COMMISSION OFFICIALS ARE TO
REPORT ON PREPARATIONS FOR THE MARCH 29 MEETING OF THE EC/
YUGOSLAVIA JOINT COMMITTEE.

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(D) RELATIONS WITH CYPRUS: THE COMMISSION WILL FORMALLY PRE-
SENT ITS NEW PROPOSALS ON THE SECOND STAGE OF THE EC/CYPRUS
ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT.

(E) RELATIONS WITH JAPAN: THE MINISTERS WILL RECEIVE A
PROGRESS REPORT ON THE COMMISSION'S TRADE TALKS WITH

THE GOJ.

(F) CSCE: THE MINISTERS' DISCUSSION OF EC PREPARATIONS FOR THE BELGRADE MEETING WILL INCLUDE AN INITIAL REVIEW OF THE BREZHNEV PROPOSALS.

(G) UNCTAD: THE MINISTERS WILL DISCUSS THE UK PRESIDENCY COMPROMISE PROPOSAL FOR AN EC OPENING POSITION FOR THE COMMON FUND NEGOTIATIONS (REFTEL A).

(H) MULTIFIBER AGREEMENT: THE MINISTERS ARE TO DISCUSS THE COMMUNITY POSITION ON RENEWAL (OR RENEGOTIATION) OF THE MULTIFIBER AGREEMENT (REFTEL C).

(I) CIEC: THE MINISTERS MAY HAVE A BRIEF SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION OF CIEC ISSUES. THEY ARE ALSO TO DECIDE ON WHETHER SPECIFIC CIEC ISSUES SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE MARCH 25-26 EUROPEAN COUNCIL (REFTEL B).

(J) FISHERIS: THE MINISTERS ARE TO DISCUSS NEW COMMISSION PROPOSALS FOR CONSERVATION MEASURES AROUND THE IRISH COAST, AIMED AT SATISFYING IRISH CONCERNS AND AT WITHDRAWAL OF THE PROPOSED GOI UNILATERAL MEASURES (REFTEL D), AS WELL AS POSSIBLE EXTENSION BEYOND MARCH 31 OF THIRD COUNTRY FISHING QUOTAS.

(K) DECLARATION ON HUMAN RIGHTS: THE MINISTERS ARE EXPECTED TO APPROVE THE TEXT OF AN EC DECLARATION ON HUMAN RIGHTS (REFTEL E).
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(L) EUROPEAN COUNCIL AGENDA: OVER LUNCH, THE MINISTERS ARE TO DISCUSS THE AGENDA FOR THE MARCH 25-26 EUROPEAN COUNCIL.

(M) DANISH FIRM IN GHANA: DENMARK IS TO RAISE AGAIN THE PROBLEM OF GHANAIAN NATIONALIZATION OF THE BRISCOE FIRM. HINTON

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